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COLOMBIA.

Yellow fever at Panama.

PANAMA, December 5, 1899.

SIR: I have the honor to say that some three hundred and fifty soldiers were landed here four days ago, and that among them were some four or five who were sick and who are pronounced to have had yellow fever. They were en route from Buenaventura to Cartagena, but owing to the sickness among them no ship will convey them to that place, and it is likely that they will remain in Panama for some time. Since their arrival here there have been some fifteen cases of fever among them, with 5 deaths. It is not believed that it will spread in the city.

Respectfully,

H. A. GUDGER,

United States Consul-General.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

CUBA.

Report from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, December 18, 1899.

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended December 16, 18 deaths have occurred in this city, 4 of which were in the civil hospital, 2 from malaria, 3 from intestinal diseases, and 4 from tuberculosis. No contagious diseases reported. Death rate for the week, 23.46.

During the week 4 foreign vessels have arrived at this port. Bills of health have been issued to 5 foreign vessels. Twenty-eight Spanish immigrants arrived and were inspected December 12 on the steamship *Miguel Jover*.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reports 5 deaths in the city of Trinidad; 3 from intestinal diseases, and 1 from tuberculosis. No contagious diseases reported. No foreign vessels at this port during the week.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reports 1 death during the week, from tuberculosis. No contagious diseases reported. One foreign vessel inspected at this port during the week.

Respectfully,

J. M. LINDSLEY,

*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*The SURGEON-GENERAL, *U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.**Report from Havana.*

HAVANA, CUBA, December 20, 1899.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following sanitary report for the week ended December 16, 1899:

Eight new cases of yellow fever were reported, and 9 deaths have occurred during the week, showing a decided increase in the mortality. There were 13 cases of yellow fever under treatment on the 16th instant. The weather has been cool and pleasant.

The total number of deaths from all causes during the period covered by this report was 146, which gives a death rate of 34.50 per thousand, estimating the population of the city at 220,000.

During the week the barge *Protector* disinfected 90 trunks, 79 valises, and 28 parcels—in all, 197 pieces.

The usual mortality table for the week is appended.

Respectfully,

G. M. GUITÉRAS,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*The SURGEON-GENERAL, *U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*